



## **Council Communication**

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS

**FROM:** ERIK GUDERIAN, TOWN TRAFFIC ENGINEER, 480-503-6919

**THROUGH:** MIKE GILLESPIE, P.E., TOWN ENGINEER  
KYLE MIERAS, DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR  
MARC SKOCYPEC, DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER

**MEETING DATE:** AUGUST 01, 2013

**SUBJECT:** HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP) GRANT  
FUNDING SOLICITATION

**STRATEGIC INITIATIVE:** Infrastructure

This project supports Gilbert's Infrastructure Strategic Initiative by updating existing roadway infrastructure to improve vehicle and pedestrian safety.

**LEGAL REVIEW**

☒ Complete

☐ N/A

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

☒ Complete

☐ N/A

### **RECOMMENDED MOTION**

**A MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE APPLICATION FOR HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT FUNDING SOLICITATIONS BY THE MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS FOR THE ROADWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.**

### **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

Town of Gilbert staff is seeking Town Council approval to apply for grant funding available through the Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funding for fiscal years 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 prior to the August 2<sup>nd</sup> submittal deadline.

The goal of the HSIP program is to achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads, including non-State-owned public roads and roads on tribal lands.

A call for projects for HSIP projects from MAG was issued on July 1, 2013. Applications for the grant funding are due August 2, 2013. Applications for each project submitted will be programmed based on a competitive selection process defined by the Maricopa Association of Governments that scores the project's ability increase roadway safety and reduce crashes. If applications are selected through the grading criteria, part of acceptance of this grant funding includes a 5.7% local match requirement for some types of projects and some projects will be fully funded.

Town staff intends to submit applications on for the following types of projects:

- Advanced Dilemma Zone Detection at Signalized Intersections
- Traffic Sign Inventory and Replacement to meet federal retroreflectivity requirements
- Striping and raised pavement marking installation to meet federal retroreflectivity requirements

Previous HSIP grant funding has been used by the Town of Gilbert to upgrade pedestrian signal heads to the new countdown pedestrian signal heads and to upgrade the existing 8 inch traffic signal heads to the standard 12 inch LED traffic signal heads. If Gilbert is awarded grant funding, acceptance of the grant will be brought back to the Council for approval.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no financial impact as part of the application process for the HSIP grant funding. If the application is approved, and Council accepts the grant award, there may be a financial impact. For some types of projects there is a 5.7 percent local match required as part of acceptance of the federal HSIP grant funding and other types of projects are eligible for full 100 percent federal funding.

Grant funding totals are not available at the time of the writing of the council communication. After the selection process the grants will be brought back to Council for approval. At that time, the financial impact related to any required grant match will be detailed for Council review and approval.

The financial impact was reviewed by Cris Parisot, Management and Budget Analyst.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends approval to submit for application for HSIP grant funding.

Respectfully submitted,



Erik Guderian, P.E.  
Town Traffic Engineer

Attachments: MAG FY2014-2017 HSIP Project Application Letter  
MAG Call for HSIP Projects FY2014-2017 Deadline Extension

July 1, 2013

TO: Members of the MAG Management Committee

FROM: Eric Anderson, Transportation Director

SUBJECT: FY 2014-2017 HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP) PROJECT APPLICATIONS

Member agencies are invited to submit project applications for qualifying road safety improvements in fiscal years (FY) 2014-2017, to be funded with federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds. Project applications must be submitted via email to: [hsip@azmag.gov](mailto:hsip@azmag.gov) by noon on Friday July 26, 2013. Late applications will not be accepted.

A total of \$1.3 million/year in HSIP funds allocated to MAG by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for "Systemic" or "Spot" safety improvement projects that are eligible for HSIP funds.

Guidance on information required for "Systemic" and "Spot" safety improvement projects is provided on the project application form. The Excel-based project application form can be downloaded from the MAG website at:

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This call for projects will result in the programming of safety improvement projects in the MAG TIP for FY 2014-2017. The determination of project eligibility for use of HSIP funds will be made by ADOT in consultation with the Federal Highway Administration. A full description of the MAG process for programming FY 2014-2017 HSIP funds is attached.

In addition to this source of HSIP funding, ADOT also has a statewide pool of federal HSIP funds (\$32.7 million/year) available for larger safety improvement projects to be selected and programmed by ADOT. Project applications for this HSIP funding source are to be made directly to ADOT. Please contact MAG staff if you need assistance in connection with projects that you may be considering for this funding source. For additional information or if you have questions, please contact Sarath Joshua at (602) 254-6300.

Cc: Intergovernmental Representatives  
Transportation Safety Committee



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July 12, 2013

TO: Members of the MAG Management Committee

FROM: Eric Anderson, Transportation Director

SUBJECT: FY 2014-2017 HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP) PROJECT APPLICATIONS - DEADLINE EXTENSION

On July 1, 2013, member agencies were invited to submit project applications for qualifying road safety improvements in fiscal years (FY) 2014-2017, to be funded with federal Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds. In order to accommodate the July holiday schedule and council requirements of some local agencies, the deadline for HSIP project applications has been extended to August 2, 2013.

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